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Applicant: Foote et al.

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Title: MULTIPROTOCOL LABEL SWITCHING (MPLS) EDGE SERVICE
EXTRACTION

PETITION FOR APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.47(a)

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Technology Center 2600

Dear Commissioner,

Joint inventor Kumar Mehta is a nonsigning inventor in the above-identified patent application. The nonsigning inventor either cannot be reached after diligent effort or the nonsigning inventor's conduct constitutes a refusal to sign.

Because the nonsigning inventor either cannot be reached after diligent effort or the nonsigning inventor's conduct constitutes a refusal to sign, petition is hereby made for acceptance of the above-identified application under 37 C.F.R. 1.47(a). A separate "Statement of Facts" is provided in support of this petition. In sum, the Statement of Facts indicates that after receiving a copy of the above-identified patent application, the nonsigning inventor has not responded to numerous communications requesting the inventor's signature on the Declaration and Power of Attorney. The fee required under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(h) is provided herewith.

Acceptance of this petition is earnestly requested. Please contact me with any questions.

Sincerely,

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